

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT --.

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WE CLAIM: --.

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

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17. (new) A composition comprising:

at least one crystalline polycaprolactone (PCL);
 at least one wax having a melting point in a region between 50°C and 180°C, said at least one wax selected from the group consisting of castor wax, partially hydrated castor oil, completely hydrated castor oil, triglycerides of partially hydrated hydroxy carboxylic acids, triglycerides of completely hydrated hydroxy carboxylic acids, triglycerides of partially hydrated carboxylic acids, triglycerides of completely hydrated carboxylic acids, triglycerides of partially hydroxylated hydroxy carboxylic acids, triglycerides of completely hydroxylated hydroxy carboxylic acids, triglycerides of partially hydroxylated carboxylic acids, triglycerides of completely hydroxylated carboxylic acids, hydroxy carboxylic acid amides, and hydroxy carboxylic acids salts, wherein a weight ratio between said PCL and said wax is between approximately 05:95 and 95:05.

18. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein the composition comprises a mixture of crystalline polycaprolactone (PCL) and a mixture of said wax and further comprising additives, wherein said hydroxy carboxylic acids are at least one of monohydroxy carboxylic acid, dihydroxy carboxylic acid, trihydroxy carboxylic acid, and polyhydroxy carboxylic acid.

19. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said PCL comprises highly crystalline polycaprolactone with a molecular weight of approximately 20,000 to 180,000, a melting range of approximately 50°C to 120°C, and a crystallization temperature of less than 40°C.
20. (new) The composition of claim 19, wherein said melting range of said PCL is between 58°C and 62°C.
21. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said weight ratio between said PCL and said wax is in a range of approximately 20:80 and 80:20.
22. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said weight ratio between said PCL and said wax is in a range of approximately 40:60 and 70:30.
23. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said wax comprises a solidified castor oil (castor wax) having a melting point of between approximately 81°C and 92°C.
24. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said triglyceride has a melting range between 50°C and 180°C.
25. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said triglyceride has a melting range between 70°C and 180°C.
26. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said hydroxy carboxylic acid amide has a melting range between 50°C and 180°C.

27. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said hydroxy carboxylic acid amide has a melting range between 70°C and 180°C.
28. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said hydroxy carboxylic acid salt has a melting range between 50°C and 180°C
29. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein said hydroxy carboxylic acid salt has a melting range between 70°C and 180°C.
30. (new) The composition of claim 28, wherein said hydroxy carboxylic acid salt is a metallic salt selected from the group of calcium soap, magnesium soap, and zinc soap.
31. (new) The composition of claim 24, wherein a weight portion of said triglyceride, said hydroxy carboxylic acid amide and/or said hydroxy carboxylic acid salt is approximately 1% to 99%.
32. (new) The composition of claim 24, wherein a weight portion of said triglyceride, said hydroxy carboxylic acid amide and/or said hydroxy carboxylic acid salt is approximately 10% to 70%.
33. (new) The composition of claim 18, wherein said further additives are selected from the group consisting of fillers, sliding agents, plasticising agents, stabilizers, flame retardants, colorants, inorganic and organic pigments, foaming means and modifiers of tensile strength, rigidity, impact strength, resistance to tear propagation, processing viscosity, and other additives of polymeric chemistry.
34. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein the composition is processed using a conventional device, which is suited for at least

one of tube foil production, blow forming, deep drawing, extrusion, co-extrusion, rod extrusion, tube extrusion, film extrusion, press forming, injection molding, doctoring, foaming, casting, spraying, painting, lamination and immersion methods.

35. (new) An article of manufacture in a form of one of a foil, a bag, a sack, a tube, a rod, a bottle, a cup, and packaging material which is at least one of cold stretched, warm-stretched, and foamed, as powder, granulated matter or semi finished products, produced from the composition of claim 17.
36. (new) An article of manufacture in the form of one of an agricultural foil, a plant pot, a compost bag, a carrier bag, a shampoo bottle, a plate, a board, cutlery, a tube foil for the production of bags and sacks, injection molding and blow forming articles, hot melts or fillers produced from the composition of claim 17.
37. (new) The article of claim 35, wherein a surface coating comprises the composition of claim 17.
38. (new) A method for producing the composition of claim 17, wherein said PCL and said wax are molten components, mixed in a suitable device.